

RESOLUTION NO. 2006-89

**A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Coachella
Approving Financial Assistance and Support
to the Salton Sea Authority**

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea is California's largest inland water body with beneficial uses including fisheries and wildlife habitat, recreation, and preservation of endangered species; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea ecosystem is a critical link on the international Pacific flyway and has supported over 400 species of birds and a productive fishery; and

WHEREAS, the Sea is threatened by increasing salinity, high nutrient loading, and water loss; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority, a joint powers agency formed under the laws of the State of California by a Joint Powers Agreement dated 1993, is the lead local agency for identifying and implementing corrective measures to preserve the beneficial uses of the Sea; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority is taking concrete steps in finalizing a conceptual design for the detailed planning of a remediation project that protects air quality, water quality and wildlife habitat, creates economic development and recreational opportunities on a regional basis and respects tribal culture and heritage values; and

WHEREAS, the Salton Sea Authority Revitalization and Restoration Conceptual Plan will restore the Sea's ecosystem in a manner that also fosters regional economic development and recreational opportunities and minimize environmental impacts by creating the second and fifth largest lakes in the state.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Coachella, assembled in regular session on Wednesday, June 14, 2006, agreed to urge the State of California to select the Salton Sea Authority's plan as the preferred alternative for Salton Sea restoration and to provide financial assistance to the Salton Sea Authority to assist in conducting community outreach activities in the amount of \$5,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Coachella hereby requests that each Salton Sea Authority member agency and other government entities and organizations within the Coachella Valley and Imperial County, including sovereign Indian nations, adopt a resolution supporting and providing financial assistance for the Salton Sea Revitalization and Restoration Conceptual Plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Coachella hereby approves financial assistance to the Salton Sea Authority to assist in conducting community outreach activities in the amount of \$5,000.

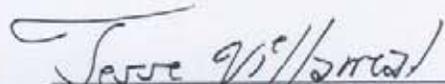
PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Coachella during a regularly scheduled meeting on this 23rd day of August, 2006 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Councilman Garcia, Councilman Macknicki, Councilman Ramirez, Mayor Pro-Tem De Lara, Mayor Villarreal.

NOES: None.

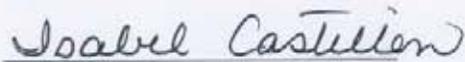
ABSENT: None.

ABSTAIN: None.



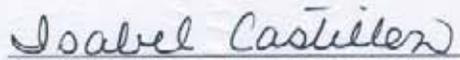
Jesse Villarreal, Mayor
City of Coachella

ATTEST:



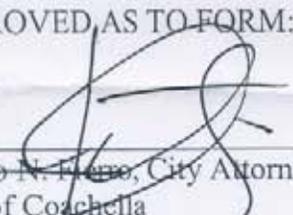
Isabel Castillon, City Clerk
City of Coachella

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution, being Resolution No. 2006-89, duly passed and adopted at a meeting of the City Council of the City of Coachella, California, held on August 23, 2006.



Isabel Castillon, City Clerk
City of Coachella

APPROVED, AS TO FORM:



Arturo N. Flores, City Attorney
City of Coachella

